

C. S. R. R.—The Cincinnati papers now impart the glorious information to parties who live along the line that regular trains will be running from Cincinnati to Somerset in a few days. The Common Carriers Company succeeded in effecting an organization, \$471,000 of the \$500,000 capital stock having been subscribed and have elected their Board of Directors, who are men of wealth and experience. This Board will meet on Saturday, and it is said, will elect Rufus King, President, and E. W. Woodward, Superintendent. The long talked of trains are now nearly a reality, and the parties who have accumulated large quantities of tanbark, timber, and other articles for shipment can look with certainty, for cars to remove them to market within a couple of weeks. There are said to be at least 800 cords of tan bark at Somerset, awaiting shipment, or in other words, about 100 cars, and all along the road from Goreburg to that point, cords of it are piled up. The C. S. R. R. will do a big business in freights for a while, at least.

We find the following very sensible suggestion in the proceedings of the Pendleton county convention:

Resolved, That we recognize in Hon. J. W. Tate, State Treasurer, the faithful, efficient officer and the sound Democrat; and we are in favor of his making the race for re-election without the formality of a nominating convention, and we recommend that other counties express themselves upon this subject in any manner that may seem to them best.

We fully endorse this, and hope the plan will be adopted by all the conventions yet to meet. There is no necessity for calling a State convention, as it is not contemplated that any person will care to enter a contest for the place with a man to whom it has been cheerfully conceded by almost everybody.—[Yeoman.]

The example set by the Pendleton Convention is a good one, and we suggest that our County Committee take similar action on our next County Court day. Mr. Tate's services have been of such an acceptable character that he deserves the heartiest endorsement at the hands of all voters without regard to party.

THE WAR.—There has been a great deal of newspaper talk, and but little fighting is reported as yet. The following cablegram dated May 24th, tells of a battle just commencing that may assume important proportions: "Batoum, Wednesday Afternoon.—There was a tremendous cannonade to-day from the Russians. A battle has just commenced, and the firing is becoming general along the entire line. The Turkish batteries are replying vigorously. The utmost enthusiasm prevails among the Ottoman troops. The Bash-Bazouks are preparing for action. Every thing indicates a desperate effort on the part of the enemy. It is stated that the Russian force assigned to the assault of Batoum has been strengthened by 20,000 men, who have just arrived from Ardahan. It is reported that the Grand Duke Michael commands the attack in person. The Turks are sanguine."

A duel was to have taken place on Tuesday morning last, near Tenere, Miss., between an editor and another man, but the other man failed to come to time, although the editor was there anxious and ready for the fray. Another instance of what "bad medicine" these editors are, and another example of the danger of fooling with them.

A negro named Chas. Tomney was hung in Georgia, Friday, for the murder of a lady whom he ravished while she was in the throes of death. He admitted his crime, and, as usual for such brutes, pretended to have found forgiveness for his sins, and was sure of going straight home to heaven.

Segar, who has been contesting the seat of Hon. Jno. Goode in Congress, has abandoned the contest. The second Virginian district will, therefore, be represented by a sound Democrat, and a man of capability and sense.

The contract for the whisky alum punches has just been let by Virginia, at \$3 75 apiece. There are 5,000 to be made, and it will be some time before the state gets her money back on them.

Whipps, who killed Stockton, got clear. The question is therefore, practically settled that a landlord has a right to shoot his clerk if he don't get up in time in the morning.

THE Somerset Reporter is authority for the assertion, that Tipton has withdrawn from his position on the Courier-Journal. Tain't so, is it Tipton?

Hayes tendered the office of Solicitor of the Treasury, to Ex-Governor Chamberlain, but he refused it on the ground of his being about to enter a most profitable law partnership in New York.

P. T. Barnum, the showman, has offered a reward of \$10,000 for the return of Charles Ross, and no question asked. Barnum has negotiated

with the father of Charlie to exhibit him, should his reward have the effect desired.

The contract for the new Postal Cards has been let to New York parties at 69 cents per thousand.

The trial of the U. S. Deputy Marshal for murder in Barren county, has been again postponed, this time at the request of the Attorney General of the State, till June 10.

A call has been issued by the U. S. Treasurer for ten millions 5-20 bonds which shows the increase in value of our securities abroad.

The negro who attempted to outrage Mrs. C. R. Pile, in Ballard county, Ky., was taken from the jail by disguised men and tied with one end of a rope around his neck and the other end to a mule and dragged to the woods. The dead body was found next day hanging to a tree, with several bullet holes through it and the clothing burned off.

Hon. J. H. Willard has been elected Chief Justice of South Carolina, in the place of Judge Moses, deceased.

The Council of Louisville is in favor of the city subscribing \$150,000 toward the building of the Three Forks R. R.

Col. Gabe C. Wharton has been appointed United States District Attorney for Kentucky, in place of Finley, removed.

LOUISVILLE RACES.—The Louisville races commenced under most favorable circumstances on Tuesday evening, weather, track and every thing being all that the most fastidious could desire. The merchants of the city by a large majority, seemed to favor the recommendation by the Council of the observance of "Derby Day" and turned out in large numbers. A great crowd was present, and the races were enthusiastically enjoyed. The opening race was a mile and a quarter dash for a purse of \$250. There were eight starters and the race was declared in favor of Grinstead's Janet, Mc Gibbons Eleni, 2nd, and Murphy's Bob Wooley, 3d. Time 2:12½.

The second race, the Kentucky Derby, a dash of one and a half miles, \$50 p. p. with \$1,500 added, second horse to have \$200, was won by Swigert's Baden Baden, in 2:38; McGrath's Lenard, 2d, and Smallwood's King William, 3d. There were eleven starters. The third and last race of the day was for an Association purse of \$300, the second horse to have \$50, mile heats. Five entries. Ewalt's Emma C., won the second and third heats in 1:43½ and 1:44½, and Banker's King Faro won the first heat in 1:47½.

Wednesday, the cool weather added greatly to the enjoyment of those attending the races and helped the horses very much, enabling them to make better time, with less exertion. The first race was for the Alexander stake for 2-year olds, \$25 p. p. with \$300 added, \$100 to the second horse, half mile. There were ten starters, among them J. B. Owens' Speculation. After 25 false starts the start was made and the race won by Bowen's Pomeroy in 49½. The second race was a dash of a mile and three quarters for all ages, for the Handicap purse of \$300 and was won by West's Courier in 3:05½; McMahon's Kilburn, 2d, and Lisle's Asteroid, 3d. This beats the best race on record for that distance by ½ minute. The third and last race of the day, was for an Association purse of \$250, dash of two miles; Reynolds' Whisper, was declared the winner in 3:36½; Grinstead's Katrina, 2d, and Alcock's Glasgow, 3d.

Four races were set down for yesterday, the programme being as follows: Kentucky Oaks, a dash of a mile and a half for 3-year old fillies, is the first. The second is the Ladies' stake, also a dash of a mile and a half. The third is mile heats, three in five, for a purse of \$350, and the fourth is for Ten Broeck who will run a mile against 1:41½, the fastest time on record.

THURSDAY EVENING.—We received the following telegram at 8:15 last evening, from Mr. J. B. Owens. Ten Broeck, it will be seen, is now the champion race horse of the world:

W. F. WALTON: Ten Broeck made his mile to-day in 1:39½. Felicia won the Kentucky Oaks Stakes; Grit the mile heat, and Bergamont the one-half mile dash, in 0:50. J. B. OWENS.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY NEWS.

Mr. Vernon. May 24th, 1877.

WANTED.—A fire engine.

Hit's as hot as a hoven.

There was a good rain yesterday.

Judge George W. McClure is absent in Cincinnati.

We have moved several times, but this was our first fire.

The men who were burned out Sunday morning, are hunting new quarters.

The advent of the frolicsome fly is noted.

An afternoon nap has lost twenty-nine thirds of its attraction.

Mr. Wm. B. Huston, of Lexington, agent for the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of New Jersey, was in town yesterday.

Mr. M. J. Miller, Miss Nellie Miller and Miss Celia D. Adams left here Monday morning last, for Louisville.

Mr. C. W. Adams has exchanged his property here, with Mr. Steven Cummins, for a farm a few miles from town, to which he will move his family immediately.

F. R. McClary, of Barboursville, left here Monday morning, to attend the races this week at Louisville. We told him if he bet, to bet on the winning horse.

While George Towney, near here, was driving a wagon one day last week, it was turned over. He was caught under it and received injuries from which he died in a few days.

Dr. Z. C. Denny, of Level Green, this county, a promising young physician of several years' practice, left us last week for the West. He intends to locate in Kansas or Texas. We hope he will prosper wherever he may go.

Elder O. T. Asbill will not preach here the 4th Sunday (his regular appointment), but will preach on the 1st Sunday in June. On Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in June, Elder Stephen Collier will begin a series of meetings at this place.

We were pained to hear of the death of our old friend, Mr. Jno. T. Caldwell, which occurred at Mitchellburg, Boyle county, yesterday. He died with disease of the brain. John was an affable, generous young man, and the news of his death will be a severe shock to his numerous friends.

Our railroad agent, Mr. E. W. Harper, having gone with his family for a visit to his parents in Southern Kentucky, where he will remain some weeks, Mr. W. A. Burnside, of Garrard county, a very polite and agreeable young gentleman—and a good man for his business—has taken charge of the depot. He will remain here until Mr. Harper's return.

Dr. J. J. Brown, Common School Commissioner, requests us to say that the County Board of Examiners will hold a meeting at this place, on Saturday, the 30th day of June. This will be the only session of the Board during the year, and teachers who desire certificates must attend for examination on that day. The Board is composed of Dr. J. J. Brown, and Prof. S. F. Stokes and J. L. Whitehead.

Col. R. J. White, of Madison county, has received the nomination at the hands of the Democratic party, for State Senator from the 29th District, composed of Madison, Estill and Rockcastle counties. Mr. White will be elected beyond any doubt whatever, and will make us, as we hope and believe, an able and efficient representative. The Democrats of Rockcastle will support Col. White, willingly and cheerfully, but in the meantime they want their candidate to have a chance to set himself right before the community.

Charles Brown and "Bill Jack"—"called gentlemen," had a lively set-to on the streets, Sunday afternoon. "Bill Jack" it seems, fancied, whether with good cause we don't know, that Charles had addressed some insulting language to his sister, and the fighting-like resentment of his ardorous, impetuous nature prompted him to oscillate his arm rapidly and drive his knuckles about an inch deep in Charles's handsome face. Then they grappled and fell, Charles on top, with one arm in "Bill Jack's" mouth, and wool-pulling was lively for a minute. Officious bystanders interfered and separated the combatants at this juncture, before "Bill Jack" had succeeded in drawing enough blood from Charles's head to wash away the insult offered to his sister. The crowd which had gathered, expecting to witness an interesting "mill," was sorely disappointed.

Sunday morning at 3 o'clock, the dread cry of "fire" waked our citizens. In a few moments after the alarm was given, a large crowd had assembled about the residence of Mrs. Williams, which was rapidly being consumed by the devouring element. No attempts were made to save the building; indeed, they would have been futile, as it was a frame, old and dry, and burned rapidly. The flames were speedily communicated to Dr. S. W. Brown's residence which was totally destroyed, as was, also, J. E. Allen's furniture store, Charles Kirtley's law office, H. Carpenter's store room, and Dr. J. J. Brown's office. The further progress of the flames was checked by the fire-proof wall of the hotel. But for this building all that side of the street might, and probably would have been burned. The furniture was saved from the burned buildings. The losses will aggregate several thousand dollars, and are about as follows: Dr. S. W. Brown, dwelling, and store room occupied by J. E. Allen, \$3,000; Mrs. Williams, dwelling, and office occupied by Charles Kirtley, \$2,000; R. P. Gresham, building occupied by Dr. J. J. Brown, \$300; Harrison Carpenter, store, \$200; J. E. Allen, furniture, lumber, &c., \$200. There were other trifling losses not necessary to mention. Strenuous attempts were made to save one of the buildings occupied by Dr. Brown, but they were ineffectual. The crowd did their duty nobly and bravely, and the services of James Frazier, David Pointer and James Brinkley, deserve especial mention. The colored folks were out in numbers, and lent a ready and willing aid. While the origin of the fire is unknown, yet, it is presumed to have been accidental. When first discovered, the flames were bursting through the kitchen-roof in Mrs. Williams' building. Much sympathy is particularly felt and expressed in the community for Dr. S. W. Brown, who, with a large and helpless family, his wife being an invalid, and children small, is thus suddenly bereft of a home. QUERRO.

GARRARD COUNTY NEWS.

Buckeye. May 16th, 1877.

Dear Editor: I thought during the silence of your regular correspondent from this place, a word might be appreciated by yourself and readers, and have undertaken the task.

SHOWS.—We have been very much annoyed in this community by one-horse picture and sleight-of-hand shows; and this monitory must have produced concussion of the brain, or something of the kind, had nothing less been presented to destroy it, but the antidote came in the form of *Juriss*. Last Sabbath the Church at this place was crowded with ladies, who had come together principally to show their new hats. They seemed to vie with each other in trying to look except under their queer shaped and odd looking hats. Your correspondent heard more compliments passed on one of the belle's of Lancaster, than any one else, (Miss Mattie Gallagher.)

MARRIED.—On Wednesday, May 9th, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. K. Allen, Mr. Joseph Simpson to Miss Lizzie Anderson.—Attendants—Miss Sale Simpson and Mr. George Hardin. On Tuesday, about 9 a. m., a young man named Killon, and a Miss Gools, rode up to the

house of the Rev. D. Nokes, and desired him to make one of the twins. Several laborers near at hand, anticipating some fun, went in, and the urethra from the school hard by, gathered around to witness the ceremony. After the Rev. gentleman had tied the knot, they started on their way rejoicing.

We were very much delighted to see the name of the accomplished authoress, "Blue Belle," in your issue of the 11th instant. We have read some very fine productions from her ever fruitful brain in another paper, and have been always pleased. Permit me to ask her to explain what she meant by this sentence in her last article: "They have been almost as scarce in this market as that other 'rod' of which we have exhausted the vocabulary of the vegetable kingdom and we failed to find one that we thought to be very scarce, which was a native of this climate. Some thought you referred to the Rutabaga; others that you referred to money; the law of which is said to be the 'rod' of all evil; but your humble servant was lost. Will you give us, light?"

FARMING.—Some of our farmers have already begun to furrow out their corn and plant over. Some, however, have begun to plow their fields, having had the good luck to get a good stand at first. Wheat, rye and oats look, as if they would yield an abundant harvest.

Mr. Alex Ray, lost his entire flock of sheep and lambs by dogs.

Some of our farmers have been busy this week hauling their corn to the river at the mouth of Paint Lick, from which place it will be conveyed by boats to the still-house at the mouth of Hickman. I believe they receive \$2 per barrel.

Some of our young sportsmen having a desire to shed blood, armed themselves to hunt squirrels, and were about setting out for the shade of "Bunny," when they met one of our old reliable citizens who advised them to desist, and if they wished to shed blood, to kill a man, adding as a reason, that if they killed a squirrel they would be punished to the extent of the law, and if they killed a man they would be complimented for it.

Through the exertions of a number of ladies in this community, a pound party was given at the Church in this place, to raise money to put the grave-yard in repair. They raised about twenty-seven dollars and are now expending it in beautifying the "city of the dead." A correspondent in the *Western Recorder*, did great injustice in mentioning the names of two young ladies, and giving them all the credit, when there were several others just as deserving. Give honor to whom honor is due. SIGMA.

Lancaster. May 24, 1877.

"All quiet along the Potomac" since the adjournment of the Common Pleas Court, and now the Blackstones and Westons can rest from their labors in the inspiring shade of the Court-house piazza.

The Presbyterian meeting closed Sunday evening with one addition. The communion was administered in the morning. In spite of the intense heat the populace generally were out to church, some actually venturing as far as the "Fork Meeting House," where they were doubtless overtaken by the rain which fell in torrents after dinner.

The lawns are looking fresh and lovely since their recent baptism, and flowers are out in myriads of glowing hues.

These moonlight nights have tempted the Serenade Clubs to make the echoes around a La Trubadour. Even the Lancaster Cornet Band has sprung up, Phoenix-like, to gladden listening ears, and remind the community of days "that were and were most dear" to them. The musical talent of our town has from earliest years, been an established fact beyond controversy. We are degenerating a little in the matter of instrumental organizations, but it is to be hoped that a spark of lingering ambition will, ere long, re-animate the breasts of the present generation of performers, and preserve alive our much-valued prestige of former days. Who that has a memory for the pleasant times of life, can forget the olden time when music was the watchword of leisure hours, and the Lancaster Band the leading amateur association in the State? Even the weird and silent halls of Mammoth Cave have resounded with the strains of this much-sought assembly.

Messrs. McBride and McGuire, artists who came highly recommended by the Professors of the Danville Colleges, have succeeded in procuring two classes in penmanship, and are engaged every afternoon and evening in giving instruction. Their terms vary somewhat, according to the number of pupils. Their system is based exclusively upon scientific principles, and is not dependent strictly upon the powers of imitation. In writing, as in every other branch, change and progress are visible. Now the old stereotyped copies about America and Benjamin and Columbus and Disappointment, (according to the particular letter of the alphabet under consideration), have given place to more modern themes.

The T. B. T. L. Club are faithful to their redoubtable one night in each week, and the re-unions are sometimes enlivened by Terpachore.

Mr. Yantis' Strawberry and Ice Cream Saloon looks tempting when the gas-light hour collects thither the lads and lassies of the city.

Our post-master beguiles the odd moments when off duty with the mysteries of telegraphy, and the click of his battery sounds business-like.

Mrs. Belle Wilson Stapp spent a few hours in the city last Friday, obscuring by the sunshine of her presence the too intense sunshine of the heavens. Among the many generous causes that interest her benevolence is the Sunday School at Buckeye—which is as yet in its infancy, and destitute of every aid in line of commentaries, books or music.

The annual Sophomore prize offered at Franklin Institute for the best speller has been awarded to Misses Mollie Burdett and Anna Bright, the young ladies having been so unfortunate as to tie in the contest. The test consists of five hundred dictionary words to be selected from several thousand, which words are written by the competitors, corrected by themselves, and finally handed into the umpire without signature. This trial is usually so onerous that it is made to precede the regular examination programme by a few days.

Intelligence has been received of the death of Mr. Thos. Jennings, for many years a citizen of this county. The deceased married a sister of Mr. Jacob Robinson, and was early united in faith with the Christians of this church. The late war having impaired his worldly circumstances, Mr. Jennings remained at Villa, Ala., on a comfortable farm and breathed his last a few days ago, a victim to consumption. His children were with him, and his end was peaceful and resigned.

Quito's last letter portrays a community destitute of Paul Prys, Madame Grundy, and Dame Rumors; an El Dorado of content, and the long sought Utopia, where to live is such bliss, that to die would be loss. We sincerely congratulate him upon such a state of affairs, and can honestly lend our testimony, founded on a brief, but delightful visit, in support of his commendatory description. In this connection we may not inappropriately extend our sympathy to Dr. Brown in his recent loss by fire as announced in the *Courier-Journal* of Monday.

On Tuesday morning, strange to say, a number of our distinguished citizens suddenly found that urgent business called them to Louisville. Such calls do grow imperative about this time every year by some mysterious process. Clio.

Resolutions of Respect.

At a called meeting of Oak Orchard Lodge No. 432, F. & A. M., Masons, May 19th, 1877, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted: WHEREAS, It has pleased the Grand Master of the Universe to remove from our midst, Brother Francis Curti, M. M., who departed this life on Thursday morning, May 17th, 1877, in the 53d year of his age—a Brother highly esteemed by the community generally.

Resolved, That in the loss of our late Brother Masonry has been deprived of a true and worthy Brother, and our country a good and useful citizen.

2. That we deeply sympathize with his surviving friends and relatives, and especially with his bereaved widow, who watched over him during his protracted illness with a care and devotion unprecedented.

3. That the members of this Lodge wear the usual badge of mourning for 30 days.

4. That this preamble and resolutions be recorded in the Minutes of this Lodge, and copies made by the Secretary and presented to the surviving family of the deceased; also for publication in the *Stanford Interior Journal*. HIRSH PROFF, Sec'y. J. H. FISH, Com'ee.

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